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*Mr. Carver*  
26 August 1965

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD**

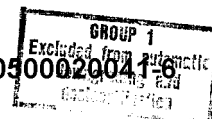
**SUBJECT: Economic Warfare Committee Meeting**

**TIME:** Wednesday, 18 August 1965, 1400-1420  
**PLACE:** Mr. Stoneman's office, Room 6212, New State Building  
**PARTICIPANTS:** Mr. W. G. Stoneman, Deputy AA/FE/AID  
Mr. W. A. Mazzocco, C/BN/FE/AID  
Mr. Gilbert H. Kenna, State/FE/BN (Mr. Bundy's staff)  
Mr. Louis D. Saris, State/INR/FE  
Mr. Paul Bolabanis, State/INR/FE  
[redacted] DIA  
Mr. George A. Carver, Jr., CIA/VAS  
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1. Most of the meeting (which went on for about an hour prior to Mr. Stoneman's arrival with Mr. Mazzocco in the chair) was devoted to a general discussion of gaps in our knowledge of VC economic subversive activity, vulnerabilities in the controls over AID-provided commodities which the VC could exploit, and steps which might be taken to rectify deficiencies in both areas.

2. It was decided that the Economic Warfare Committee would meet informally every two to three weeks to exchange ideas, information, and thoughts on useful projects in the economic warfare field. This group would operate, in effect, as a subcommittee of the Unger Committee; though it would have no formal bureaucratic status at the present time and would try to avoid acquiring one. Mr. Stoneman would send a short memo to Ambassador Unger advising him of the Committee's existence, composition, and general intent. After considerable discussion, all agreed that the less bureaucratized this effort became the more useful it would be for all and the less risk there would be of its making undue demands on any particular individuals' time.

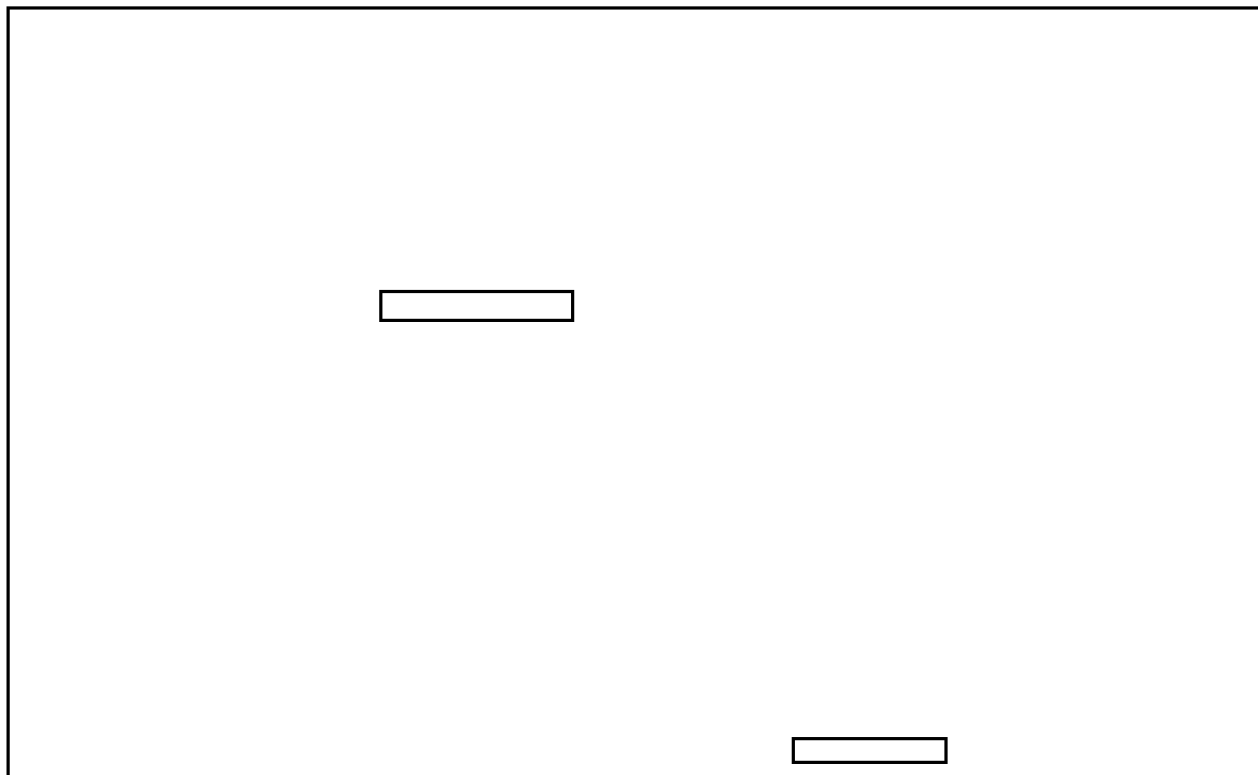
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5. One point that will have to be considered is the role of the Chase mission in expanded interagency economic warfare activity. Mr. Stoneman was quite willing to include a sentence on the Chase mission in the joint cable if we felt it appropriate (we did). With Chief, PS's concurrence, [redacted] was instructed to give complete answers to any questions Mr. Mann should raise about the Chase mission during the course of the 20 August briefing.

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